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THE TRUTH ABOUT FALL-OUT

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Where Have We Got To?

—From S. F. Chronicle, Feb. 27, 1959:—

Reporter Donovan Bess writes, "Today's environment is so strongly invaded by radiation that 'you can't get pure vegetables any more,' (Bio-radiologist Dr. Bell F. Dullum told this to health officers meeting (in S. F.) yesterday.

"He said that modern medicine, coupled with nuclear industry and fallout, has more than tripled the normal background dose of radiation.

"If you have an open mind, you must admit all radiation is harmful," he said. "We don't know how harmful—but it is harmful."

In one square mile any place on earth, except for the desert, Dr. Dullum said, radioactivated rains have implanted strontium-90 equal to the maximum permissable dose for 500-000 persons.

(The article mentions cereals as containing more of this poison than vegetables or milk. Thus, the very food that children are urged to eat, is the most dangerous).

"Dr. Dullum said the units he mentioned are well below the maximum permissable levels set by the National Committee on Radiation Safety." But, as noted above, he also said, as to the danger, "*we don't know*"— and every once in awhile, these committees have been known to change their standards.

"After Dr. Dullum finished his report, the doctors heard a fervent appeal from Frank Stead, chief of the (health) department's bureau of environmental sanitation. Stead said there is "a desperate urgency to have the facts."

Another Chronicle columnist very sensibly remarks that while the scientists who tested that Minnesota wheat, finding 113 micromicrocuries per kilogram instead of the maximum permissable 80 exhorted us not to be alarmed, "because the three-year average of that wheat was only 51 micromicrocuries." But it only goes to show that the atomic scientists have lost contact with people. What we slobs want to know is how much is in a micromicro-slice of bread as served up at the corner hash house. We also would like to get this information before noon today and not two years from now. If the bread is deadly, getting that knowledge after lunch would only be of interest to the coroner." . . . Scientists . . . are bringing out new theories faster than I can learn the ones they already have discarded."—Just so, brother, just so!

Not enough publicity is being given, in USA, to the article in the British *News Chronicle* and by Dr. Brock Chisholm, former chief of World Health Organisation, and Sir Robert Watson-Watt, inventor of radar, concerning the deadly qualities of the most effective germ-war agent, bottulinus toxin, "now so perfected that 8-½ ounces of it could kill everyone in the world."

According to the News Chronicle, this killer is being made at Porton Microbiological Research Center and Chemical Defense Experimental Staton, not far from London, where scientists are also working on such delightful stuff as plague germs including typhus, cholera, and polio.

National Guardian (NY) notes that "When Labor's Emrys Hughes raised the question in Commons, Minister of Supply Aubrey Jones did not deny that botulinus toxin was being made at Porton but called Chisholm's and Watson-Watt's remarks 'grossly and ludricrously exaggerated.' Telephoned for comment by both the News Chronicle and Hughes, Watson-Watt denied that anything he or Chisholm said was exaggerated and 'I do not retract one word.' The botulinus, he told Hughes, was much worse than the dirty H-bomb, for small countries with limited resources can easily make enough of it to blackmail the rest of the world. Instead of the power of the Big Boy's Deterrent, we are now faced with the power of the Poor Man's Poison.

" 'It is easy to spread in drinking water and food. Any country which used it could strike down whole cities and countries within six hours. There is no defense that I or anyone else knows of.' Chisholm stressed the special effectiveness of botulinus in that 'it will kill anyone who breathes it or touches it within six hours. It oxidizes within 12 hours, leaving the area clean for occupation.' "

On Feb. 26, US Civil "Defense" head Leo A. Hauck had the audacity to tell radio listeners that, if an H-Bomb all-out alarm sounds, "defense begins with the individual citizen," because "this is a free country, and you cannot be compelled to take protective measures." He tried to spread reassurance by saying that *those not caught by the initial blast* could step into shelters which they had built underground and covered with three feet of dirt, where they would be perfectly safe.—This might help for a single bomb, outside an attacked city; but in a nuclear war, even an Eisenhower must deliver himself of this (news conference, March 11, as quoted by AP)—

> "And, I must say to use that kind of a nuclear war as a general thing looks to me a self-defeating thing for all of us, because after all, with that kind of release of nuclear explosions around this world, of the numbers of hundreds, I don't know what it would do to the world, and particularly the Northern Hemisphere; and I don't think anybody else does . . . "

Hauck is giving his listeners hokum. Officials at Washington are not depending on three feet of earth over dugouts. They have planes to carry them in minutes to well-stocked caves: Eisenhower and his entourage have jets, flying at terrific speed, held in reserve for them. *For the people, nothing has been done.* This is what our present rulers consider for the common welfare."

Let's listen to some honest talk for a change. See Dr. Linus Pauling's "No More War," pp. 44-5:—

"In his testimony before the Congressional hearings on fallout, Dr. W. W. Kellogg of the Rand Corporation and Mr. Charles Shafer of the Radiological Defense Operations Office of the Federal Civil Defense Administration discussed the results of some thorough studies of a hypothetical attack on the United States in which nuclear bombs would be used. They said that the weapons were considered to be of three sizes, with 5-megaton, 10-megaton, and 20-magaton yields.

"Let us consider what the radioactivity of the products of explosion of a 20-megaton bomb would be. We may assume it to be a fission-fusion-fission bomb, with about half fusion and half fission, so that the radioactivity would correspond to 10 megatons equivalent of fission.

"The initial gamma radiation and the neutron radiation from the detonation of the bomb would kill 50 percent of all people within two and one-half miles from the point where the bomb is exploded, even though they were shielded by as much as two feet of concrete. The initial radiation is the radiation delivered within the first minute after the bomb is detonated.

Apart from local fallout, "The rest of the fission products are blown over the world by the winds of the troposphere (the lower atmosphere) and the stratosphere (the upper atmosphere, above about 7 miles, where there is no condensation of moisture in the clouds) . . . large bombs, megaton bombs, have fireballs so large that a major part of their activity, aside from that deposited in the local fallout, enters the stratosphere.

"The radioactivity in the troposphere is blown about, and within a period of a few weeks is largely brought to the surface of the earth through the precipitation of rain and snow. Much of the tropospheric fallout comes to the surface of the ground in the general latitude of the site of the bomb explosion.

"The radioactive materials in the stratosphere fall to ground very slowly; about 50 percent may remain in the stratosphere after 15 years. The winds in the stratosphere have time to distribute these radioactive materials nearly uniformly over the surface of the earth. During these years most of the radio-active nuclei with small half-lives decompose. Those with large half-lives remain undecomposed, and retain their activity when they reach the surface of the earth, even after 20 years or more. The most important of these isotopes are strontium-90, with half-life of 28 years, and cesium-137, with half life of 27 years.

Pg. 48—"If one of (the superbombs) were to be exploded over a large city, such as New York, the blast, fire, and immediate radiation effects would kill most of the people in the city.

But even if it were to miss its target by as much as 50 miles the local fallout might descend upon the city and bring death from radiation to most of the people in the city."

Howbeit, the scientist hirelings of the warmongers remain placed in the face of such horrors. See the following clipping from SF Chronicle, March 1, 1959:—

"Washington, Feb. 28, AP—A top Government scientist said today man is going to have to learn to accept radiation risks philosophically just as he does such other everyday hazards as auto travel."

"Dr. Lauriston S. Taylor, chief of the atomic and radiation division of the National Bureau of Standards, said the advantages of radiation are such that people probably will not give them up despite the dangers.

"Dr. Taylor said the establishment of permissible levels of radiation exposure is not basically a scientific problem. (It is more a matter of philosophy , or morality and of sheer wisdom,' he said, adding:

" 'The problem centers about a philosophy to which mankind is well accustomed; it may be called a 'philosophy of risk.' . . .

"Dr. Taylor said that as far as scientific data go, the only answer to the question—'what amount of radiation may man receive in either chronic or acute exposure without any harm to himself or his progeny?'— is 'none' . . .

" 'Whatever the effects of radiation on genetic status may be, its principal impact will not be upon the generation of individuals exposed,' he said.

—So, never mind; the worst suffering will only fall upon your children and your children's children.

And as to that "philosophy of risk", the Eisenhowers, Nixons, Dulles's, and so on—as far as the taxpayers' money will go, are not having any of *that!*

BACKGROUND ON BERLIN

If They Had Followed
Roosevelt's Yalta Policy:

Mussolini said he was trampling on the rotten corpse of Democracy. At least, he put it frankly into words. In Germany, after the Nazis bit the dust, in combat, and Nuremberg permanently disposed of at least a few of them by the noose, the U. S. Government sent over a commission to see to it that Germany was so thoroughly reformed, and de-nazified, that peace and justice would be Europe's share.

But before the commission had set foot on Germany, it had been taken possession of, in effect, by the agents of the great cartels; who proceeded, successfully, to violate the law established at Nuremberg, and make a mockery of every principle for which millions thought they sacrificed their lives. These were men like Clay; John McCloy, U. S. High Commissioner in Germany, and a swarm of others of their kind.

In an article published in NY Compass, Jan. 23, 1950, Howard W. Ambruster, author of "Treason's Peace", tells some of the disgraceful tale:—

"As exclusively revealed in The Daily Compass Friday, the long suppressed State Dept. report to the Senate admits the failure of the denazification program. But nevertheless the Department's pressure on the Senators, plus objections of Chairman Tom Connolly, (from the oil-dominated State of Texas), effectively bottled up demands for such an inquiry, filed with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee many months ago.

(Rep. Adolph Sabath had introduced the resolution demanding that inquiry be made of our occupation policies in Germany. Immediately McCloy returned to USA for "consultation" with the State Dept.)

" . . . Some time back, this reporter pointed out that McCloy was exercising dictatorial powers in Germany. On the record it appeared that both Secretary and the President were permitting their subordinate in Germany to make policy to suit himself.

"Confirmation of this improper delegation of authority appeared in the U. S. News and World Report last week. From British sources, according to that weekly, came news that McCloy (now v. p. Chase Natl. Bank (Rockefeller) had bluntly asserted that *it is he, and not the State Dept., who makes U.S. policy.*

"The German Political Affairs Division of the State Dept. declined to reply to questions put by this reporter. Several have to do with the peculiar part being played by the New York law firm which has been representing I. G. Farben and its affiliates in the courts of this country. Cravath, Swaine and Moore, McCloy, Chester McClain, his chief counsel in charge of decartelization, and Benjamin R. Shute, his chief intelligence officer, all came into Government service, after the war began, from this law firm."

How They Do It.

"It was Shute, too, who was engaged by the State Dept. some months ago to 'process' applicants for positions on McCloy staff. This was before Shute became intelligence officer. And this unusual method of picking U.S. occupation employees took place at the Cravath law office, 15 Broad St., New York City.

"When first asked about it, the State Dept. refused to identify the Cravath firm member thus engaged in performing a strictly official function. They referred mysteriously to "the person" involved. Later, when confronted with his identity by this reporter,

Acheson's man admitted it. However, more mystery was indicated. It was not the U.S. Government, they advised, which paid Shute for these important services. But the German Political Affairs won't say who did pay Shute . . . (And) they have also declined to say what statute or executive order authorized the selection of Government employees at the Cravath office; and whether any applicant was rejected because he opposed restoration of Germany's cartels . . .

"There is a studied silence, too, about rumors that McCloy himself has desired, or threatened, to resign his job.

"So, it should be a hectic meeting in Secretary Acheson's office."

It was naive ever to suppose that the other members of the international cartels would decartelize Germany.

If the German people had been left to themselves, there is not the slightest doubt that fundamental reforms would have taken place and the world at this present date would not be standing on the edge of war and quite possible annihilation.

January 25, 1951, the Berlin "National-Zeitung" had this:—

"From well-informed sources we learn the following details of the meeting which took place in Bad Homburg on Monday between Eisenhower and Adenauer and the subsequent conversation with Ollenhauer, Deputy Chairman of the Social Democratic Party, and the prominent generals, Speidel and Hausinger. Eisenhower expressed his great dissatisfaction at the results of investigations carried out by the United States Military Information Authorities, *all of which agreed that 85% of the West German population were opposed to rearmament. He demanded categorically that under no circumstances should a plebiscite on West German rearmament be allowed.*

"Adenauer gave an assurance that he would allow no such plebicite and Ollenhauer promised that the Social Democratic leadership would strongly oppose the carrying out of such a plebicite. Adenauer underlined the assurances he had previously given to the *American High Commissioner, McCloy,* and stated "rearmament will take place."

"In the further course of the conference between Eisenhower and Adenauer the United States General stressed the necessity of creating the correct 'psychological climate' for carrying out his policy. In this connection he expressed his uneasiness at the growing campaign of certain groups and newspapers against rearmament. Adenauer emphasized that measures were being prepared to prevent this. He permitted himself to make the proposal that the Americans should make 'a gesture' which would make it more easy for the Federal Government to influence public opinion."

April 24, 1951, the W. German Federal government banned

the preparation and carrying out of the plebiscite against remilitarization and in favor of a peace treaty being signed with Germany in 1951.

The new German army needed recruits: and McCloy had demanded a speed-up in rearmament. One of Hitler's tank experts, General Freiherr von Manteuffel, told the British correspondent Clifford, May 1950: "After all, you need us. We can provide for 30 armoured divisions and probably more. The age-groups which are just reaching military age are particularly strong—the first results of Hitler's special provisions for big families."—(Daily Mail, London, May 19, 1950).

The "High Treason" Law:

July 9, 1951, a "lightning law" introduced by the Adenauer government was pushed through in great haste with the support of the government parties and the Social Democrats, banning the collection of signatures for a plebiscite against remilitarization.

"Ministers Lehr and Seebohm are said to be the initiators of this new emergency law patterned on fascist laws. These two Ministers, together with Jakob Kaiser were commissioned by representatives of the American High Commission to work out such a law immediately after the Eisenhower talks in Homburg."—"White Book" on . . . the Revival of German Imperialism."

—From same source:

"*The Hessen Case.*" In 1946 the Parliament of the Province of Hessen worked out a draft Constitution which was submitted to the electorate for approval. This draft constitution stated in Article 41:

> "When this Constitution becomes effective:
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> (1) Coal, lime and ore mines, iron and steel works, power stations and railway and trolley-bus lines shall become public property.
>
> (2) Big banks and insurance companies together with enterprises named in paragraph one the headquarters of which are situated outside the Province of Hessen will be subjected to state administration or control."

The American occupation power which had made it its business to protect the German monopolists and bankers protested against this article 41 of the Hessian Constitution and forbade its inclusion in the Constitution. The Hessian government, under the pressure of public opinion, remained firm and based its stand on the many declarations made by the Americans about the right of the Germans to have "democracy and self-determination." General Clay then insisted that article 41 be the subject of a special plebiscite. The plebiscite was held with a result which General Clay had not expected: 70% of the electorate voted in favor of article 41 of the Constitution. The democratic wishes of the overwhelming majority of the populatioin could not have been expressed more clearly.

"The American occupation authorities, however, breaking all democratic principles, continued to prevent this article of the Constitution being put into force. Some years later, the reactionary parties won a majority in the Hessian Parliament."

With such policies pushed by a combination of W. German and foreign cartelists, it is not surprising that, by 1957, *Fortune* magazine stated that 40% of West Germany's iron and steel industry, and about one-quarter of its coal industry, were in the hands of foreigners.

—Pacific Tribune (Vancouver), 2-22-57.

Cartelism Needs Fascism:

—From *In Fact* (edited by Seldes) Nov. 16, 1942:—

"The new editor listed in November Reader's Digest is Paul Palmer, who, introduced American Fascism to the Mercury (magazine) during his editorship . . .

"Only recently Mr. Wallace" (owner and publisher of Reader's Digest) who took on Palmer as editor) "declared as follows:

" 'We do not want Germany smashed. What will become of the continent of Europe if Hitler is killed and fascism completely eradicated? The Russians will conquer all of Europe. Therefore our policy should be to whip Hitler to the point where he recognizes we are the biggest power in the world, and then keep Hitler in Europe to police the continent and maintain order.

"We also need a little Fascism in the United States to keep this country in order. We need a certain type of Fascism here to keep radicals out and radical systems and philosophies from making any headway and even attempting to take over the government.'

"The sentiments expressed by Wallace are exactly the sentiments previously expressed by Chamberlain and the other Munich men of Britain and the policy of the 200 Ruling Families of France, whoes motto was 'Better Hitler than Blum'."

What Might Have Been

If Germany had been decartelized and demilitarized according to the Yalta Treaty, the world would not today be poised on the verge of destruction. The peace treaty would have been signed long ago; and even if it were not, a reformed Germany would present no threat to her eastern neighbors. As things are, West Germany, including West Berlin, represents the glitter of western capital, and comparative affluence (even if wages of skilled mechanics are only a third of what they are in USA, expatriated US capital thriving on low wages paid for German competence

and industry). Even at that, there is not work for all; and from "Democratic German Report", pub. in E. Berlin by John Peet—who quit his job on the British official paper put out in E. Germany, because he would not tolerate having his copy falsified—we learn (Feb. 13, 1959):

> "Two prominent West German scientists were amongst the West-East emigrants now arriving in Democratic Germany at a rate of almost 1500 weekly."
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> —You will look a long time in the media of information (?) in USA before you uncover that fact.—LH.

Spies for Counter-Revolution in West Berlin.

> The same edition of DGR also has this:—
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> "I am indebted for the following crack to the American funnyman, Bob Hope. On a recent visit to West Berlin Bob Hope was asked how he liked his stay. 'Fine,' he said, 'except for the difficulty in getting a room in the Hilton Hotel. I found that the bottom five floors are permanently reserved for international spies.'
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> "Mr. Hope spoke truer than he knew. According to the latest count more than 80 different cloak and dagger organisations use West Berlin as their base for operations against the German Democratic Republic and other socialist countries. Which is yet another reason why it might be a very good idea to turn West Berlin into a Free City, as the Soviet Union proposed nearly three months ago."'

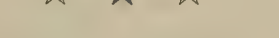
The Truth about West Berlin.

The Yalta treaty, from the time of its signature, was flouted. And now, among arch-reactionaries in USA, the very name of "Yalta" is enough to cause spasms of rage.

Since the very foundation of the Treaty has been kicked out, which made the remainder of the structure possible, the Soviet countries are correct in wanting conditions in East Germany rectified. The very fact that the so-called "American Security Act" was established in 1951, with its initial fund of $100 millions, and subsequent even-larger yearly appropriations, was an act of war against the soviet governments—which, at the time, they were not strong enough to react against, as US would assuredly have done if the case had been reversed. What the framer of the law, Charles J. Kersten said, during the debate in Congress at the time, should never be overlooked, viz.—*"Terror organized in Eastern Europe to liberate those countries is one of the key notes of American Government policy.* We are training men to be spies, saboteurs, specialists in the tougher forms of psychological warfare. They are taught to slip into the Russian fabric to blow up bridges, railroad trains, etc. We are teaching them to use both American and foreign weapons."

Therefore, the claim of the leaders of the anti-Communist countries that they are entitled, by treaty right, to run West Germany as they please, is FALSE. If Eisenhower et al. adhere to the policy that they will not budge one single inch from their present ground in W.G., the whole world faces destruction by nuclear war. *We won't let Soviet Russia into West Germany*, shouts 'Ike'—speaking for Dulles, who represents the Rockefeller banking group. However, Russia offers to let a neutral group take over there. To this there is no answer; and so, in discussing the matter, the proposal is *blandly ignored* by reactionaries.

If this, under all the circumstances, is not absolute imbecility, perhaps someone will furnish a kinder word for it ?



THE VATICAN IN WORLD POLITICS

By Kenneth Leslie

—From 1870 to 1929 Rome often spoke of her "Imprisonment." Then she came "out of the catacombs" escorted by Mussolini.

The Vatican is strong in West Germany today where the Western nations who have hardly caught their breath after War II are re-arming their enemy—this time as their ally.

Vatican-US Runs UN

According to a highly-placed official of the United Nations, writing anonymously in the "N. Y. Compass" (Dec. 17, 1950), "The UN worships a God who is a Christian American with Roman Catholic leanings." Of course the Americans run the show ("at least two out of three of the Secretariat staff are American citizens"). Byron Price screens the staff and handles the budget, buildings management, planning, inspection, field service including missions (for instance to Korea). Trygve Lie is the public front of the UN but the real work is done by an American, Andrew Cordier, "who runs the General Assembly" and "supervises the execution of all political policy," who, for instance, "handled the Korean business." Abe Feller, another American, is Legal Counsel to the Secretary General. "He is the man who tells Trygve Lie how to make it legal, how to draft loopholes, how, for example to use language which to the uninitiated made the Korean business appear in accordance with the Charter."

Delegates tell how "the Americans have gone to their ambassador, or to their government, complained of their position, and succeeded in getting it reversed. There is no face-saving. The reversed delegate must be made to look like a punished schoolboy." And referring to the fundamental anti-Russian line which all delegates must follow, the author of this article says that a "strong force in this direction is the Roman Catholic Church which largely

dominates the vote of the 21 Latin American countries, of the Philippines, the Netherlands, Australia, Canada, Belgium, Luxembourg. In this, the Church and United States foreign Policy run parallel."

Vatican Hex on UN Birth

Right at its birth the Vatican hexed the United Nations. Just before the San Francisco Conference the American hierarchy made a statement in which they said that now that Fascism and Nazism were out of the way, Marxism was the enemy. Thus the Vatican on the eve of a peace conference declared war on our ally in a war some of us had foolishly thought of as anti-fascist.

Then clerical fascist Argentina joined the UN.

Already the Dominican Republic had joined the United Nations on January 1, 1942. Then Panama, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras and Haiti joined along with Costa Rica, Colombia and Luxembourg. Paraguay and Peru joined on February 14, 1945. All these were "Christian" (that is, Roman Catholic) states. Venezuela joined on February 20, 1945, another "Christian" state. Naturally the Vatican could depend upon them to vote the way it wanted them to vote.

In going over the list of the United Nations as printed in the "New York Times" of April 26th, 1945, one finds among them a great number of tiny states, most of which did not and could not take any real part in the anti-fascist fight and in which the influence of the Vatican is paramount. In many ways the anti-fascist record even of Canada and the United States, speaking from a political point of view, was vitiated. Both continued to nurse the Petain government long after it was obvious that Petain was an ally of Hitler. And we must never forget their betrayal of Spain, a direct consequence of Vatican pressure.

Secret Weapon—The "Christian Thesis"

But now read the editorial in "The New World," "Chicago's Official Catholic Paper," April 6th, 1945, which after its usual anti-Soviet prelude, suggests a solution for the problem which our State Department faces in what it calls the "unyielding attitude of the Soviet."

The solution is that "our statesmen bring forth the one secret weapon not yet used in World War II, the Christian thesis, which, although not in the class of a howitzer, nevertheless conquered millions on the battle fronts of equality among men. We suspect that San Francisco will succeed or fail according to the emphasis on just this proposition. A good deal of salesmanship will be involved. Look again at the list of nationals who will have their say."

On looking again at the list of nationals who will have their say we were reminded of a feeling we had when we first observed the flags of the United Nations. Why was it necessary to collect such an array of tiny states and how did it happen that so many

of them were vassals of the Vatican? Well, "The New World" gives us more than a hint as to what it is all about.

Subsequent events make us certain that the Vatican was clever enough to salt away votes in the UN Assembly against the day when it would have killed the unanimity principle in the Security Council.

Vatican Measures Democracy for a Black Shirt

Going back to Christmas, 1944, we have the Pope himself preparing the ingredients for the San Francisco hex. His Holiness put out a statement which was hailed by the brazenly mendacious press of the US as a defense of democracy. This was a Goebbel's dream-lie. For the Papacy to have come out for democracy would have been a revocation of its own anathema against toleration, repeated innumerable times since Constantine.

What the Pope actually did was to demand that American democracy come under the domination of the Vatican.

"A sound democracy," he said, "will resolutely turn its back on such corruption as gives to the state legislature an unchecked and unlimited power, and, moreover, makes of the democratic regime, notwithstanding an outward show to the contrary, purely and simply a form of absolutism." This absolutism consists "in the false principle that the authority of the state is unlimited and that . . . to appeal to a higher law obliging in conscience is not admitted." This "higher law" is the "absolute order set up by the Creator and placed in a new light by the revelation of the Gospel." All laws of all states, democratic or otherwise, must conform to the higher law which is entrusted to the Roman Catholic Church. In other words democracy will be permitted provided it conforms to canon law and executes the will of the Vatican. This was a blueprint for a clerical-fascist America. And yet it was front-paged all over America as a declaration for democracy.

After placing democracy definitely within the framework of Vatican hegemony, the Pope goes on to place any possible organization for peace within the same framework. Having for 1,500 years entrusted the protection of this framework to absolute monarchies, and having during the past few decades entrusted it to that quintessence of absolutism which goes under the name of fascism, the Pope had to call upon every reserve of his rhetoric to transfer this duty to the democracies.

Vatican Disowns Its Child

How does he manage it? First, the war itself, which was at least in part the Papacy's own war and out of which it had hoped to gain a new lease on life, His Holiness reduces through rhetorical device into a gigantic accident. Stressing the horrible aspects of war he tried to make the reader forget that if the war is a monstrous evil on the part of the aggressors it is all the more a valiant and courageous struggle for good on the part of those he calls the

"inert" masses.

Thus the Pope's "fatherly anguish" tries to hide the fact that he, self-styled arbiter of morality on this earth, actually relegates to the same category of naughty children the Nazi beast and his terrorized and tortured prey.

Vatican Demeans Resistance

The Holy Father spoke of the cry which comes from the manger of Bethlehem and which "resounds in the ear of men at a time when the dignity (of man) is tragically low." But the dignity of man was never higher in the history of the world than it was at that moment and during the entire period of the conflict. Never before did so many men resist tyranny with such high valor, with such mutual forgiveness and understanding, or with higher hopes for a world of brotherhood.

This new world was entering into being to the tread of the armies of the united anti-fascist nations and of the partisan resistance forces in Europe and in Asia and of the vast multitudes of the common people everywhere who know that their time has come, that time foreseen of old when to righteousness would be added power and glory.

Vatican and China

In June, 1946, John Roderick, AP correspondent, reported that American prestige in China was "careening downhill at a rate so precipitous that it will take most drastic action in Washington to curb it."

Drastic action was indeed taken in Washington, not to curb it, but to spur it, by pouring more billions into Chiang's pocket. Was the Vatican in on this too? Yes.

Archbishop Yu Pin cursed the Communists long and lustily in "The China Monthly," which is listed in the Catholic Almanac as an official Roman Catholic publication, although its priest editors were listed on its own masthead without the "Reverend." Yu Pin was very frank about the Communists: "we would certainly have exterminated them had not the Japanese forced President Chiang to break off his campaign and turn against the invaders." It may be remembered, however, that it was the Chinese Communists themselves who persuaded Chiang to turn against the Japanese.

Representative Walter H. Judd inserted into the Congressional Record a tirade in "The China Monthly" by Father Shanahan against the Chinese Communists. That magazine opposed General Marshall's mission to unify China, hammering away at the same fixed idea of all Roman Catholic propaganda: Sovietism succeeds Nazism as world enemy.

Having received the red hat at the Vatican war consistory in 1946, the new Chinese Cardinal Tien called for a preventive war on Russia without delay. Yes, the Vatican was in it all over the globe."

Vatican Changes Horses

The Hitler Nazi-Fascist steed having been shot out from under the Vatican it leaped to the back of Truman's "democracy" and quickly slipped the authoritarian bridle over its head. Truman could be depended upon. Remember the Roman Catholic bosses of the Democratic party that nurtured him, grew him and put him where he was. The State Department has been staffed with progressively larger numbers of Roman Catholic career men. The Secretary of the Navy, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Attorney General, were all Vatican-line Romans, loyal subjects of the King of Vatican City.

The man who administers the law of the US was a leader of Catholic Action, a papal knight, a fanatic crusader of the revived and aggressive Papacy whose American subjects brought America to the point of suing for the friendship of Franco, a name for obscenity. For Falangism, the Spanish form of fascism, according to Franco's Foreign Minister, Alberto Martin Artajo ("N.Y. Times," Dec. 14, 1950) has won "victory at Lake Success." America needs Spain and Spain offers her friendship and is "willing to forget her wrongs."

Vatican Talks Business

It was in 1940 that the Pope wrote to America (in an allocution to the American bishops) his bid for the friendship of reactionary big businessmen: "The history of every age teaches that there were always rich and poor; that it will always be so we may gather from the unchanging tenor of human destinies."

Thus the Roman pastor's words of comfort for the Rich Young Man whom Jesus sent away sorrowful.

There is much connected with Vatican dealings with Hitler that the world will never see for the simple reason that a Vatican agent Msgr. Walsh of Georgetown University (which trains career men for the US State Department) was entrusted by the US Government to sift all relevant letters, private messages, memoranda and other records of Hitler-Vatican dealings. But the basic facts are admitted by Roman Catholic writers who state openly that Hitler was helped to power by the Vatican, and the clear record shows that the Vatican collaborated with Hitler (in spite of partners' quarrels) to the very end.

Vatican Subverts American Constitution

Before looking at the story of Vatican collaboration with the rise of world fascism let us look at the plain words of the Papal Encyclicals which show what the Vatican thinks of the modern world.

The clearest of all is the "Syllabus of Errors" of Pope Pius IX (1864). What are these errors? They are simply everything you believe in and practice, for instance, that religion is free, that

the Church should not use force, that education and communication should be free.

This Syllabus also taught that the Church ought not to be separated from the State and the State from the Church, that the Roman Catholic religion should be the only religion of the State to the exclusion of all other religions, an dthat the Roman Pontiff cannot, and ought not to, reconcile himself, and come to terms with progress, liberalism and modern civilization.

Then the "Immortale Dei" of Leo XIII (1885) condemns everything the American Declaration of Independence stands for.

Coming down to the parochial instruction of children who will grow up to be American citizens here are a few questions and answers from a Manual of Christian Doctrine (48th edition, authorized and with the Archbishop imprimatur) as quoted by Marshall, "The Roman Catholic Church in the Modern State:"

112. Why are the qualities of the (Roman) Catholic Church superior to those of civil society, or the State?

Because the (Roman) Church is a religious and super-natural society, while the State is temporal and natural. The (Roman) Church is universal, immutable, and immortal society, while the State is particular, variable, and temporal.

116. What right has the Pope in virtue of this supremacy ?

The right to annul those laws or acts of government that would injure the salvation of souls or attack the natural rights of citizens.

122. May the State separate itself from the (Roman) Church?

No, because it may not withdraw from the supreme rule of Christ.

123. What name is given to the doctrine that the State has neither the right nor the duty to be united to the (Roman) Church to protect it?

This doctrine is called Liberalism. It is founded principally on the fact that modern society rests on liberty of conscience and of worship, on liberty of speech and of the press.

In "Mortalium Animos" (Pius XI, 1928) the same claims are reaffirmed and in encyclical after encyclical from then down to the present moment they have been repeated.

Business Cartel and Church Monopoly

What is the background of the Vatican collaboration with fascism? What explains its tie-up with this particular political creed? To answer this question it will be necessary to look at the concentrated industrial power which through cartel arrangements controls the economy of whole nations and groups of nations and which constitutes a serious threat to freedom, democracy, and peace.

Take for example the International Steel Cartel (described in detail in a book of that title by Ervin Hexner; Univ. of North Carolina Press, 1943).

In the 17th century an iron master, Dud Dudley, invented a better iron making process and sold his iron for less than the going price. His rivals, after due warning, moved in, destroyed his tools and chucked him bodily out of his own plant. That was in staid old England and was an example of the kind of forceful cooperation which later became the steel cartel. This cartel is simply the uniting of groups of steel producers who are steel exporters to control the movement and price of steel throughout the world by means of rules, understandings (often not written) and threats.

The effect of the cartel is to hold production at a level determined by the price convenience of the cartel members. The cartel is an agreement in restraint of trade. It is rstrictive, not expansive. As the magazine "Fortune" put it (April, 1936) ".... steel men have geared their industry to the philosophy of high prices and restricted production." Speaking of Hitler's Germany "Fortune" (Sept., 1942) said "The cartels became the real government anonymously ruling the life of the nation down to the last details ..." Blurted the British steelman Viscount Greenwood of Holbourne at a dinner in London (1939), "The representatives of the steel industries and, indeed, of all other industries from all parts of the world can sit around the common table, and without raising their voices come to quick decisions of national and international importance, affecting the lives of millons of men throughout the world." ("Internatonal Steel Cartel", page 228).

Business Feudalism -

The giant corporations organized into monopolies and cartels are controlled by family groups, DuPonts, Mellons, Rockefellers, Fords, in somewhat the same way that family dynasties ruled medieval Europe.

Now the Vatican power was at home with those dynasties. It grew up with them. And so today after a long estrangement from capitalism in its competitive phase it finds itself suddenly at home with these new concentrations of power in the hands of private families.

The agents of the Vatican meet the chieftains of the great business clans at the highest level of government. Understanding the mechanics and dynamics of power, talking the language of power, they are able to give a point or two to these fellows just turning the latest page of a history the Vatican is thoroughly familiar with.

"Public Relations"—Alladin's Lamp

You may remember when one of the large radio networks instructed its commentators that cartels were not news. Secrecy is the very air the cartels breathe and of course the big customers of the

radio are members of the cartels.

In this instruction we could see the part played in the development of cartel economy by what are called "public relations" which feed press and radio with sympathetic items. Since the word "cartel" has a bad odor they try to erase the word from the public consciousness. The accepted word is "free enterprise" the name of the very thing the cartels have done away with.

These procedures are adequate in times of peace. But when war or revolution interrupts the quiet freezing or cartelization of world economy a super public relations job is called for.

We have not mentioned the obvious fact that cartel economy has a rival, socialist economy. World War II, although on the face of it a war between two cartel groups, often revealed a war within the war, a hidden war between cartel economy and socialist economy. That hidden war is now showing itself clearly in Asia and in the preparations going forward in Europe.

In the days of free competition the tussle for economic power gave victory to the strong. And the strong, once established, rolled up their power cumulatively. The snowball became the avalanche and then the glacier: non-competitive big business. Auxiliary businesses, with a certain limited play of competition permitted to go on among them, became subservient to the cartel non-competitive arrangements which characterize our economy as a whole. For a time the glacier was able to push all before it, but with the rival socialist economy spreading and catching the imagination of vast sections of the world, this cold thing had a full-time job selling itself. This called for that Alladin's lamp of modern times: "public relations."

It was no mean job, for instance, that was done by the Nazi firm of public relations experts; Hitler, Goebbels and Co. when they lined up both creedless wealth and wealthy creeds and flaunted before the world's eyes one of the greatest "public relations" triumphs of all time, the Concordat with the Vatican.

Hitler knew what public relations counsels must always know: who would appease him and why. He knew what he had to sell: protection from socialism. He knew who would buy: all those elements that might lose prestige and power in a socialist world.

Even members of the cartels in enemy countries were Hitler's "hidden ally", their "public relations" his secret weapon, their terror of a democratic economy his "fifth column." This could easily be seen when in 1943 Cardinal (then Archbishop) Spellman to whose authority as head of the richest ecclesiastical seat in the world had been added over the years a tremendous "build-up" in the press, piously whitewashed Franco in "Collier's" magazine. This was part and parcel of a process of deception which antedated Hitler, outdid Hitler and postdated Hitler. And the deception has worked. For today the US wants "in" with Franco. And Franco is ready to forgive the US for misunderstanding him.

The whole line of double talk, "Non-Intervention", Neutrality", "Justice", "Religion", meaning intervention, war, injustice, irreligion, was public relations with a vengeance and was crowned with the Commu-Nazi story which pretended that Communism was just another form of Nazism. The Vatican initiated this story and has pushed it hard to the clink of applauding coin whose unsubtle rhythm lured Protestants into the same business. Roosevelt was forced by the Vatican strangle-hold over the US electorate to spread this lie and then to betray Spain.

Vatican Peace Equals War

In 1943 the three faiths (sparked by the Jesuit Father Conway) put out their famous "joint statement" on peace. There was nothing "joint" about it, however, as the Jesuit paper "America" admitted, saying: "The Declaration is not even in the proper sense of the word, a 'joint statement'. But it is a clear response to our present Holy Father's 'appeal to the conscience of the world', spoken to all humanity (Christmas, 1942)."

"The first point", said "America", "goes directly to the root of the matter by declaring that the only assured basis of a world order is the Law of God. A collection of separate sovereignties, each independent of any control, cannot be called ordered. There must be an Orderer, a Sovereign higher than any earthly sovereign —and that Sovereign is God. Only when the nations have a 'practical recognition' of the sovereignity of God and the supremacy of the moral law can they advance surely along the road to peace."

The clear meaning of this was that the juridical order which is to be the basis of a just peace will be the order of the Papacy, the vice-regency of God on earth.

"America" went on, "The proclamation of these truths places upon all men a grave responsibility for their fulfilment... to Catholics above all falls the duty of providing the spiritual leadership in the moral combat for a just world." You see, the Vatican was to lead the "moral combat." And the moral combat was to take the form of a cold war which would become a shooting war. For the plan was not a peace plan but a war plan.

The Vatican has no qualms about working with schismatics and heretics in its present crusade. In January, 1951, it was even exchanging cultural missions with its once most formidable enemy, Islam, forming what Prince Mohamed Aly calls their "common front against atheistical Communism." Today Pope John calls for a new Christian Front.

Encyclicals Charter Fascism

In 1940 sixteen American prelates proposed a "Guild or Corporative System for America." The proposal, says Robert A. Brady ("Business as a System of Power" p. 219) is practically identical with that of the papal encyclical "Quadragesimo Anno" (1931) which formed the basis of Austrian fascism.

"Quadragesimo Anno" was the last of a series of Vatican references to the medieval guilds. Others were "Humanum genus" (1854), "Quod Apostolici muneris" (1878), "Aeterni Patris" (1879), and the famous "Rerum Novarum" (1891) which condemned Socialism, justified social inequality, the accumulation of great wealth, stated that " in a state it is ordained by nature that these two classes (the rich and he poor) should exist in harmony and agreement."

"Quadragesimo Anno" preached the abolition of the class struggle by the formation of vocational groups or corporations. "The corporations are composed of representatives of the unions of workingmen and employers of the same trade or profession, and as true and genuine organs and institutions of the state, they direct and co-ordinate the activities of the unions in all matters of common interest." Quoting Brady again, "Fixity of status and occupation, the outlawing of strikes and lockouts, and the location of the ultimate powers of umpire and reconciliation in a theologically acceptable totalitarian state assured to His Holiness that 'social harmony' and 'class collaboration' of which Leo XIII had dreamed forty years before."

It would be false to assume that the Vatican was the cause of fascism, which would have appeared without the help of any church-state. Fascism is the last frantic stage of a losing fight on the part of businessmen to control markets and labor. To control these they find they must control everything and everybody including the thoughts of everybody. The implement they use is the fascist police state. But to keep the people of this state satisfied it is necessary to keep them ignorant, amused, and under a hynosis of hatred for some "enemy." And here is where the Church becomes invaluable to fascism and is enabled to contribute to it her special flavor of clericalism. That is the why of this union of business-state and church-state.

Chronology of Vatican-Fascist Collaboration

We have looked at the theoretical basis of this union and at the preparatory acts leading to it. Now let us look at a few of the things actually done by the Vatican in helping to bring about a fascist world. The following chronology is but a bare skeleton of the gigantic body of events which occurred all over this globe from 1923-1950, the issue of which is not yet certain.

1923, January: Cardinal Gasparri gets Mussolini to bail out the Bank of Rome, after which the hierarchy began praising Mussolini.

1926, December: Pius XI in his new year address calls Mussolini "the man sent by providence."

1928, December: Papal Prelate Kass takes over German Centrum. Prepares Germany for Hitler.

1929, February: Concordat and Lateran Accord between Vatican and Mussolini.

1930, June: Pius XI orders that membership in Catholic Action is not to be considered an obstacle to membership in the Italian Fascist Party.

1930, September: Vatican announces that Roman Catholic university professors may take fascist oaths.

1933, January: Papal agent Von Papen arranges pact with Hitler for Vatican support in return for Concordat.

1933, July: Concordat between Vatican and Hitler-Germany signed by Cardinal Pacelli and Franz von Papen, who becomes Papal Chamberlain, gets the Grand Cross of the Order of Pius and declares that in the Concordat: "The Third Reich is the first power in the world not only to recognize but to translate into practice the high principles of the Papacy."

1935, January: German bishops of Treve and Spire issue official proclamation asking the people of the Saar to vote 100% in favor of Hitler. This proclamation decided the fate of the Saar.

1936, May: Pius XI praises Abyssinian war and says in an address: "We feel the need of sharing in the triumphant joy of an entire great and good people over a peace which, it is hoped and intended, will be an effective contribution and prelude to the true peace in Europe and the world."

1936, August: After the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War and the first protests of the Vatican against the Loyalists, the German bishops publish a Pastoral letter asking their people to back Hitler fully in his intervention in Spain.

1937, June: "Civilta Cattolica," Jesuit paper whose editor is appointed by the Pope, discusses Zionism and characterizes the Jews as "foxy profiteers, who penetrate into all international organizations and especially in two of them, Freemasonry and the League of Nations." The article concludes by advocating that "a suitable way ought to be found to change their wicked mentality."

1938, April: "Civilta Cattolica" writes about Palestine saying that the best solution would be to force the Jews to evacuate Palestine again.

1938, August: Pius XI sends Franco his Apostolic Blessings.

1938, December: In his Christmas message the Pope says about Mussolini and the fascist regime: "We say loudly that after God, our appreciation and thanks go to the very high Persons. We mean the very noble sovereign and his incomparable minister . . . to whom we owe the fact that the so important and beneficial Lateran agreements of 1929 could be crowned with a good ending and happy success."

1939, April: After the invasion an ddismemberent of Czechoslovakia through Hitler the new Pope Pius XII recognizes immediately the independence of Slovakia which under Msgr. Tiso has become a full fledged fascist state.

1939, June: Pius XII greets 3,000 Franco soldiers at the Vatican led by Serrano Suner and tells them: "You have fought for

the triumph of Christian ideals. You are the defenders of the Faith."

1939, July: Cardinal Gasparri arrives in the USA to prepare the "juridical status for the possible opening of diplomatic relations between Washington and the Vatican."

1940, February: Roosevelt sends Myron Taylor as special envoy to the Vatican. In 1936, Taylor had said that "the whole world has been forced to admire the successes of Premier Mussolini in disciplining the nation." He had praised the conquest of Abyssinia.

1940, July: Three weeks after Petain assumed power, Pius XII tells French Roman Catholics to "aid in the national restoration." Petain's national restoration meant the abolition of the French Republic and all its liberal institutions.

1940, August: After several meetings with French Cardinals, the Vatican concludes an agreement with Vichy. All laws and regulations of the French Republic restricting the power of the Church especially in the field of education are abolished.

1941, February: The French Archbishops, after getting a message from Pius XII, issue a proclamation backing the Vichy regime.

1942, September: Roman Catholic hierarchical representatives of eight Latin American countries, the US and Canada concluded an Inter-American Seminar on Social Studies, called by the US National Catholic Welfare Conference, top rank of Catholic Action. The Seminar issued a statement blueprinting a post-war "democratic" form of the corporative fascist state for this hemisphere.

1943, April: "The Catholic Herald," official Vatican organ in Britain, says that the Pope refuses to approve the cause of the United Nations: "The endeavor of the United Nations and more especially of the United States, whose president undoubtedly holds the present Supreme Pontiff in very high regard, has been throughout to persuade the Pope that the interests of the world are bound up with an Allied victory and, therefore, obtain the Pope's openly expressed moral approbation of the Allied cause—or at least the Pope's open condemnation of the Axis cause . . . These efforts have failed."

1943, August: The Vatican radio (Aug. 10) speaks in favor of Badoglio and continuing the war against the United Nations.

1943, September: Vatican begins peace offensive which if successful would have saved fascist power in Europe.

1944, June: Russell Hill in a wireless from Vatican City to the "N.Y. Herald Tribune": "It is obvious that he (the Roman Pontiff) now believes the Allies will win the war and is taking great interest in the kind of peace that will follow, especially as regards Catholic countries . . . In the past the Vatican has opposed revolutionary forces by working with the Mussolinis,

Francos and Petains . . . today, however, the Vatican seems to have made a significant shift of policy, hoping to gain the same ends by collaboration with the Anglo-Saxon powers."

1944, December: Pius XII in Christmas message makes open bid to subvert and take over American democracy as its tool. This was featured in American press as if the Papacy had honestly espoused the democratic cause.

1945, May: German Archbishop Groeber, after Germany's defeat, discussing the horrors of Nazism exclaimed, "However, in the eyes of God at least, we bear quite a bit of responsibility."

Pius XII now condemns "Satanic Nazism", but does not ask God's forgiveness for his part in it.

1946, January: Pius XII in encyclical "Orientales and Omnes Ecclesias" defends Ukranian Nazi bishops.

1946, February: Pius XII creates 32 new cardinals in a consistory at which the war-drums against Communism were beaten. One of the new cardinals was Mindszenty who as Rev. Joseph Prehm had helped the first fascist dictator of Europe, Horthy, fill the first concentration camp at Zalaegerszeg.

1946, July: Pius XII sends cable to President of Poland asking mercy for Arthur Greiser, once gauleiter hangman of Western Poland.

1946, August: American Knights of Columbus (Catholic Actionists under the Vatican) begin series of ads boosting Franco.

1946, August: Cardinal Hlond of Poland condones the Kielce pogrom because, he said, there were too many Jews in the government.

1947, August: Pius XII and US President exchange letters promising to help each other against Russia.

1947, September: Pius XII beats war drum before 100,000 Catholic Actionists in Rome.

1947, December: Article 7 of the new Italian Constitution perpetuates Mussolini's Lateran Treaty of 1929 in open contradiction to the terms of Peace Treaty.

1948, November: Conference of US bishops openly advocate corporative state for America using the term "industry councils" instead of "corporations."

1950, December: Pius XII, according to Cianfarra in "N.Y. Times", backs Atlantic Pact which is based on German rearmament.

It is not only Communism these powers are fighting. It is man himself, the very idea of man, the whole history of man. They want to obliterate history and make a new water-tight streamlined state of World Slavery. That's why these powers have associated with one another. They belong together: fascism and clericalism, clerical-fascism.

NEARINGS' NEW BOOK

Reviewed by William Gallacher

Some months ago I reviewed a book by Helen and Scott Nearing, "Socialists Around the World," and I described it as a "catalogue of misery." It was a picture of pessimism and frustration which they found prevalent amongst social democrats throughout Europe.

Now here is a different book by the same authors, a book that is a real pleasure to read.

A joyful book of buoyant youth, such a contrast to their former book and an even greater, and oh, so much happier book than the morbid moanings of Aldous Huxley with his dread of "The Brave New World." That, I may say, is the title of this latest book of the Nearings.

I have known them for many years, through their writings, as courageous and devoted socialists. Working on their small farm, Spring, Summer, and Autumn, they spend the winter months touring and lecturing in the States or going on fact-finding visits to other lands and, of course carrying the gospel of socialism with them wherever they might go. A grand couple. May they live long and write and lecture for many years to come.

Having received passport endorsement for the Soviet Union and China, they set off in the Winter of 1957-58, for these great countries.

While they touch on industrialisation and, in particular as regards China, rectification, their special interest was education and health.

Follow them in the tour and the studies they made and you will gain the most valuable understanding of the really tremendous educational and health activities being carried through in both countries.

In the preface they make it clear that, unlike, an American liberal whom they quote, they didn't go to the Soviet Union or China expecting to see them building according to the Western pattern. They make the very wise remark that this lad, and others like him, "overlooked the obvious fact that the builders of socialism in the Soviet Union were not aiming to please United States liberals."

What Shakespeare would have called "a palpable hit." They went to see a country that had to be built up from the ruins of Czarism, and then once again, from the ruins of the Nazi invasion. What they saw was an inspiration to them. They saw, as the first section of their book starts off with,—"A New World in the Making."

They end their introduction with a splendid "confession of Faith";—

"We thank our lucky stars for the chance to visit this New World and we eagerly accept this and every other opportunity to

bring to the attention of our fellow citizens some of the more important among its aspects and activities."

And they certainly do a great job in that connection. I could quote passage after passage to show how earnestly they set about their task, of getting to know just what was taking place, the care of the young, the wide range of education in town and countryside, the advance of technical and scientific institutions and all the time Health and Culture and a rising standard of living keeping pace with the phenomenal industrial development. But I will only give one short quotation and, in itself, it sums up the vital, all-important difference between bourgeois society and proletarian. In this country first place goes to the monarchy and the Establishment, Princes, Princesses, Dukes and Duchesses, Lords and Ladies-parasites all. In the States, multi-millionaires and film stars, come first, they squander wealth in the most profligate manner while children "cry for bread." But in the Soviet Union and China, from the first days of their respective revolutions, it has been, first, care for the children. So, our travellers, with warm hearts, seeing eyes, and receptive minds, can say, and I hope that many, very many, will read what leads up to it, and what follows,—

"We began this report with a comment on the importance which socialists attach to the education and upbringing of their children, and gave some illustrations, drawn from our experience with the children of the Soviet Union. The Chinese people feel an equal pride and have equal hopes for their children. Until we visited China, we felt that the children we had met in Soviet Russia, taken as a whole, were the healthiest and best-balanced, pleasantest children we had seen anywhere. We now feel that the Chinese young people are at least the equal of the Russians in robust, sturdy, well-developed bodies and balanced minds. Outside of these two countries we have never seen young people, from babies up, who radiate such hope, such confidence, purpose, self-possession and cheer, Chinese and Russian youth are climbing fast and far."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

My dear Kenneth Leslie,
What a splendid edition this is for January and February! You have brought together a great mass of evidence with regard to the Chinese Church and the rise of the Church Kartel which will be of lasting use to many of us. Many thanks and God speed your work.

Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury.

Good Luck! and hope the "New Christian" has an ever increasing circulation.

A. W., NY.

The New Christian continues to outline the possibility of a Kingdom of God on earth and I am for it.
An astounding movement in theocracy is the Jehovahs Witnesses . . . their belief in a world governed by the Witnesses following Armageddon doesn't sound promising . . . With other similar sects they may offer considerable strength to Fascism in the U.S. Have you seen any study of this phase of the return to religion? With best wishes for you and the New Christian.

H. D. Ill.

I enjoy your paper very much. It is unique. The combination of certain elements of Christianity with the truth about certain political and economic facts and the facts about the United States and the Soviet Union and conclusions drawn from these are exciting and rewarding reading. As far as I know there is no other paper like it.

E. B. Chicago

I don't like to miss a copy

H. S. Calgary

Dear Friend, I am enclosing $5.00 am sorry that I cannot do more but I have only the OAP coming in, but I wish you the best of health and success in your battle for a better world.

Dear K.L.;
Free Enterprise began it's rise
When Feudalism petered out;
The machine-age became the rage,
The "have-nots" now must sweat it out.
Industrialists, sleek and cock-sure
Cry: "Come on, men, let none of you shirk!
Henceforth, there'll be plenty of work for the poor
And plenty of poor for the work."
Eisenhower and Adenauer
Two pure Aryan boys,
Haven't learned to use their power
To increase their peoples' joys.
Chiang Kai Chek, that doleful wreck,
Is still a chief concern of NATO;
For what schemes those birds expect
To employ that hot potato!
On that famous Golden Shore, When the atomic war is o'er,
When the Yankees cease to bore—
Meet me there!

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